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## **Current City of Seattle Government 2.0 Initiatives**

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- **City government use of the Federal Stimulus funds and Accountability:**  
<http://recovery.seattle.gov>
- **Blogs - Citylinks** - Most major departments have blogs for posting daily news; these roll up to an aggregated feed at <http://www.seattle.gov/citylink/>
- **Twitter** - Several departments have twitter-feeds and regularly tweet about news and events.
- **YouTube** - Seattle Channel has a YouTube channel. In addition, the Seattle Channel has an extensive video library of over six years of City Council meetings, Mayor press conferences, arts programming and does podcasting including podcasts at the I-Tunes store. <http://www.seattlechannel.org> .
- **Public Engagement Portal**  
In early August, 2009, the Seattle Council released funds to begin building this Portal, which was proposed by Council Member Bruce Harrell and had been included in the 2009 DoIT budget. The portal will include:
  - My.Seattle.gov - a user-customizable portal to City information and services. This will allow individual users of [www.seattle.gov](http://www.seattle.gov) to customize the website for information or services they commonly use, e.g. maps, building permits, utility bill payments, news and so forth
  - Single-sign-on - one username and password to access all City services (Presently, each department a customer must create a username/password for each department application).
  - A public engagement portal to allow discussion and debate, rating and ranking of ideas and issues.
- **Mashup** - My Neighborhood Map. This is an interactive map which shows locations of most City services, Fire Department 911 calls in real-time and crime statistics: <http://web1.seattle.gov/mnm/?tabId=1>
- **Facebook.** Some City departments have a Facebook presence, including:
  - Seattle City of Music
  - Mayor's Office for Senior Citizens
  - Seattle Channel

## **Websites and Links**

### **City of Seattle “blogs” or “blotters” - “CityLinks”**

- Aggregated: <http://www.seattle.gov/citylink/>
- Police: <http://spdblotter.seattle.gov/>
- Animal Control: <http://www.seattle.gov/animalshelter/Default.asp>
- Power Lines (City Light): <http://www.seattle.gov/light/>
- and others ...
- Will roll up to CityLinks at [www.seattle.gov](http://www.seattle.gov)

### **Twitter:**

- Seattle Police: <http://twitter.com/SeattlePD>
- Seattle Transportation: <http://twitter.com/seattledot>
- Seattle City Light: <http://twitter.com/SEACityLight>
- and others

### **YouTube**

- Seattle Channel: <http://www.youtube.com/user/SeattleChannel21>
- Seattle Channel direct site: <http://www.seattlechannel.org>

### **Mashups**

- My Neighborhood Map: <http://web1.seattle.gov/mnm/?tabId=1>
- Everyblock (now owned by MSNBC). Everyblock was originally a grant-funded non-profit organization which uses a number of City and County data feeds plus other information in a mapped format: <http://seattle.everyblock.com>

### **Open data feeds**

- Fedgov: <http://data.gov>
- Washington, DC government live data feeds:  
<http://dcstat.octo.dc.gov/dcstat/cwp/view,a,1204,q,491690.asp>

### **Other:**

- Microsoft Hohm: <http://www.microsoft-hohm.com/>